The Bethel News.

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DIRECTORY.

We are pleased to publish the following directory for the benefit of our citizens and visitors, and to insure correctness the News should be promptly notified when changes occur.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Selectmen—S. B. Twitchell, C. E. Barker, West, F. J. Russell. Clerk, L. T. Barker; Treasurer, W. W. Hastings; Supt. of Schools, H. H. Hastings; School Committee, Miss Jane Gibson, Z. W. Bartlett, East; N. F. Brown; Town Agent, A. E. Herrick; Collector, H. H. Bean; Auditor, Calvin Bisbee.

MAIL SERVICE.

Mails Close.

Going East, - 8:40 a. m., 3:15 p. m.
Closed mail for Portland and Boston, 8 p. m.

Mails Arrive.

From East - 10:50 a. m.; 4:50 p. m.
From West, - 9:15 a. m., 3.:45 p. m.

CHURCHES.

Methodist Episcopal, Main street, Rev. W. B. Eldridge, Pastor. Sunday—Prayer meeting, 10 a. m.; Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Junior League, 3 p. m.; Epworth League 6:15 p. m.; Prayer meeting, 7 p. m. Tuesday—Class meeting, 7:30 p. m. Friday—Prayer meeting, 7.30 p. m.

Universalist, Church street, Rev. F. E. Barton, Pastor. Sunday—Preaching service 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Y. P. C. U., 7 p.m.

Congregational, Church street, Rev. Arthur Varley, Pastor. Sunday—Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Y. P. S. C. E., 7 p. m. Junior S. C. E., 4 p. m. Tuesday—Prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m. Tuesday—Prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.

Union Church, West Bethel, supplied by Rev. Arthur Varley and Rev. F. E. Barton. Sunday—Preaching, 2:30 p. m.; Sunday school, 3:30 p. m.

LIBRARY.

Public Library, Broad street. Open Wednesday, from 6 to 8 p. m.; Saturday, 4 to 8 p. m. Over 2000 volumes. Mrs. G. R. Wiley, President; Annie Frye, Secretary; Mrs. O. M. Mason, Treasurer; Mrs. L. T. Barker, Librarian.

FRATERNAL ORDERS.

Bethel Lodge, No. 97, F. & A. M.—H. C. Rowe, W. M.; Wilfred Bowler, S. W.; E. H. Young, J. W.; M. W. Chandler, Treasurer; D. G. Lovejoy, Secretary. Meets second Thursday of each month.

Mt. Abram Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 31—E. S. Kilborn, N. G.; Rufus Skillings, F. J. Tyler, Rec. Sec.; S. I. French. Treas. Friday evenings.

Sunset Rebekah Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 64—Alice J. Farwell, N. G.; Lydia E. Parker, V. G.; Anna B. French, Rec. Sec'y; Marcia Hastings, Fin. Sec'y; Ellen M. Burbank, Treas., Meets first and third Monday of each month.

Bethel Grange, No. 56—F. F. Bean, W. M.; Bertha Valentine, L.; Gipsy Barker, Sec. Meets every other Saturday at two o'clock.

Sudbury Col., No. 50, U. O. P. F.—J. C. Billings, Gov.; E. C. Park, Sec.; E. S. Kilborn, Treas. Meets the first and third Monday of each month.

Bethel Lodge, No. 27, J. O. U. A. M.—C. O. Foster, C.; S. A. Gibson, R. S.; F. J. Tyler, F. S.; Harry Jordan, Treas. Meets the second and fourth Tuesday in each month.

Brown Post, No. 84, G. A. R.—A. H. Hutchinson, P. C, Meets the first and third Thursday of each month at 7.30 p. m.

Brown Post, W. R. C., No. 36—Miss E. E. Burnham, Pres.; Mrs. C. S. Littlehale, Sec.; Miss Angie Chapman, Treas. Meets the first and third Thursday of each month.

CORPORATIONS.

Bethel Savings Bank—S. B. Twitchell, Pres.; A. E. Herrick, Treas.

Bethel Manufacturing Co.—J. H. Barrows, Pres.; W. H. Winslow, Treas. and General Manager.

Bethel Water Co.—Enoch Foster, Pres.; A. E. Herrick, Treas.

Bethel Dairying Co.—W. E. Abbott, Manager.

Riverside Park Association—C. M. Wormell, Pres.; E. C. Rowe, Treas.

Bethel Light Co.—E. C. Bowler, Pres.; W. W. Hastings, Treas.

SOCIAL SOCIETIES.

Ladies' Club, Congregational—Pres., Mrs. F. S. Chandler; Vice Pres., Hattie Foster; Sec., Mrs. Hattie Richardson; Treas., Mrs. F. B. Tuell. Meets Thursday afternoon.

Ladies' Circle, Universalist.—Mrs. L. A. Pratt, Pres.; Mrs. G. R. Wiley, Vice Pres.; Mrs. L. B. Hopkins, Sec.; Mrs. E. C. Rowe, Treas. Meets Wednesday afternoon.

Ladies' Church Aid Society, Methodist—Mrs. Alice Jordan, Pres.; Mrs. C. Bisbee, Vice Pres.; Miss Ethel Morse, Sec.; Mrs. W. D. Hastings, Treas.

Columbian Club—Mrs. J. G. Gehring, Pres.; Miss Annie M. Frye, Sec.; Mrs. T. F. Hastings, Treas.

United Order of Golden Cross No. 484—N. C., J. H. Barrows; W. T., Calvin Bisbee; F. K. of R., S. W. Grover; K. of R., F. W. Bisbee.

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The LOCAL NEWS.

Items of Interest Picked Up About Town by the News Man.....

Eugene Bean of East Bethel was in the village Saturday.

W. E. Abbott of Boston spent Sunday at his home is Bethel.

Fred B. Merrill returned Tuesday, from a visit in Brunswick.

Miss Alice Russell spent Sunday with her father at Gorham, N. H.

Miss Maggie Lowe, who is working at West Bethel, was home Sunday.

Mr. Walter Parmalee went to Lewiston, Saturday, to visit a friend.

Messrs. Wm. H. and Chas. H. Holmes are visiting their home in Bethel.

D. H. Mason attended the Chapman concert at Norway, Saturday evening.

The Bethel Orchestra furnished music for a ball at Gilead, last Friday night.

Miss Helen Staples of Hanover has been visiting her many friends in this village.

Chester Wheeler and his sister, Miss Olive Wheeler, visited in Gilead, Saturday.

Harlan P. Clough of Gorham, N. H., recently visited his mother, Mrs. Susan Clough.

Rev. F. E. Barton went to East Bethel, last Friday, to attend the funeral of Mrs. Catharine Bean.

F. A. Leach and E. A. Barker attended the Chapman concert at Rumford Falls, Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Barrows began housekeeping, yesterday, in the Mark Chandler rent in Mechanic street.

Dr. Sturdivant's father, who has spent the past two weeks with him, returned to his home in No. Fryeburg, Sunday.

The Columbian Club will meet with Mrs. L. B. Hopkins, Friday afternoon, at 3 o'clock. Directors meeting at 2:30 o'clock.

Prof. and Mrs. Chapman accompanied by Miss Louise Truax, whistling soloist, spent Sunday in Bethel, as guests of Dr. and Mrs. Gehring.

Daniel Glines and family will move to Rumford Falls in the near future. Mr. Glines' son-in-law, Mr. Channing Grover, has leased his farm and will carry it on during Mr. Glines' absence.

Harry Chase, formerly of Bethel, who is residing at Rumford Falls, is suffering from a bone sore on his hand. Mr. Chase has not been able to work for some time, and it was thought at one time that he would lose the hand.

It is not within the province of this paper to dictate how its readers shall make their own investments, but it can give some advice that will benefit all. It would hardly be proper to give an unqualified endorsement of any advertisement, no matter how worthy, appearing in this paper but it is proper to advise an investigation of their merits, and we do advise an investigation of the merits of the Aristos Gold Mining Co.

Mr. Harry Staples of Hanover, was brought to Bethel from Locke Mills, Saturday, to have a wound in his neck dressed. This wound was the result of a peculiar accident. Mr. Staples, who operates a a grain mill and store at Hanover, was assisting in the unloading of a car of grain, and in stepping from the car to the ground his foot slipped throwing him headlong on to a stake of a sled standing near. It tore an ugly jagged wound in his throat, that required eight stitches.

Mrs. E. C. Rowe is now making arrangements for a grand concert to be given at Odeon hall, Wednesday evening, May 1. It promises to be one of the finest things in the musical line that has been given in Bethel for many a day. Musical directress—Mrs. Geo. King. Personal notice will be given later of the artists of the evening. At the close of the concert a May-night dance has been promised the young people. Good dance music will be furnished.

Suits for $7.75 to $18.00. Thomas Smiley, Norway.

W. J. Wheeler of South Paris was in town Tuesday.

Mr. Merl Holt of Berlin, N. H., is in our village to-day.

F. L. Edwards was in West Paris yesterday, on business.

Mr. John Howe of Rumford Pt., is visiting at J. M. Philbrook's.

Miss Currie Hastings returned to Portland on Monday afternoon.

Services were resumed at the Congregational church, last Sunday.

Mr. Wilfred Bowler returned Saturday night, from a trip to Palermo.

Suits for ladies or for misses, latest styles. Thomas Smiley, Norway.

The Ladies' Club will meet tomorrow afternoon with Mrs. Angelia Clark.

Mrs. Annie and Miss Edith Emery of Locke Mills were in town, Thursday.

Mrs. Ardella Shepherd, who has been visiting in town returned to Kennebunk, last week.

E. R. Files, travelling salesman for C. M. Rice Paper Company of Portland, was in town Tuesday.

Mr. R. F. Tufts of Paris Hill has entered the barber shop of L. A. Hall to learn the barber's trade.

The Y. P. S. C. E. will give a social and candy sale at Garland chapel, Friday evening of this week. All are invited.

Mr. Chas. H. Holmes, who has been employed at the Cony House, Augusta, during the Legislative session, has returned home.

Mr. A. M. Edwards of Syracuse, N. Y., came to Bethel last Friday night and remained over Sunday with his father, Col. C. S. Edwards.

Miss Emily B. Chapman, who has been visiting her mother for the past few weeks, was unexpectedly called to her work in Manchester, N. H., last Monday.

Mr. A. M. Bean of Washington, D. C., who was called home last week, owing to the sickness and death of his mother, Mrs. Catharine Bean of East Bethel, returned home Monday.

Remember that E. E. Randall of Bethel is agent for the Norway Hand Laundry. First class work guaranteed. Laundry sent Wednesday at 9 o'clock, and returned Friday at 4:35.

If you are in need of trimmings for your spring suit, call on Miss Burnham. She has a full line of high grade goods and the most fastidious person can find just what she wants.

A slight flame occurred at the Curtis house on Railroad St., last Saturday forenoon. A portion of the members of Hose Company No. 1, were summoned and the flames easily controlled.

The Columbian Club's Open Evening.

The Columbian Club will give the third in its series of social occasions at Garland Chapel, Monday evening, April the first, at eight o'clock.

The same cordial invitation as before given is extended to all in our community who are attracted by what the Club has to offer.

The evening will be opened by the rendering of Liszt's Second Hungarian Rhapsody by Mrs. Gehring and Miss Mueller, followed by a paper—topic selected—by the Rev. Arthur Varley. Next will come some songs by the "sweet singers" of Bethel—not yet fully decided upon. Then Mrs. Hopkins will talk upon "My Experience in Western Schools," and Mrs. Sturdivant will give a delightful finale to the evening by interpreting to us Beethoven's Sonata, Opus 31.

Without further special invitations the Club will be most ready to receive all in our midst to whom this informal program appeals.

GOULD'S ACADEMY ITEMS.

The following is a list of the new students, besides whom there are several students who have resumed their studies after an absence of one or more terms:

Alice Wight, Dummer, N. H.
Ordell Bryant, Locke's Mills, Me.
Celia Estes, Locke's Mills, Me.
Sadie Flint, Albany, Me.
Arthur Andrews, Albany, Me.
Roscoe Andrews, Albany, Me.
Rogelio Bonau, Baez, Cuba.

Miss Helen Staples of Hanover, a former student of the Academy, who was for several years matron of the Girls' Industrial School at Hallowell, visited our school, Monday, in company with Mrs. G. F. Bartlett.

The Reading Room recently received from F. I. Barker of Santa Barbara, Cal., three more of the John L. Stoddard series, comprising Egypt, Japan, and Constantinople. Mr. Barker also sent three numbers of that interesting monthly, Modern Culture, formerly the Self-Culture.

M. E. Church Supper.

There will be a supper and entertainment at the M. E. church, next Thursday evening.

The supper will be one that will make you fairly hungry from the time you catch the odors of that delicious coffee, until you have "appeased the inner man," and witnessed the short entertainment that follows.

Do not fail to attend on Thursday evening, for it is assured that you will enjoy every minute you spend at the supper and entertainment.

Supper will be served from 6 to 8.

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The Busiest Man of a Large Town.

A clergyman working in a large town is almost certain to discover that he is in a way looked upon as common property. What he knows distinctively as his parish bears but a small proportion to the field which, reasonably or unreasonably, he will be expected to occupy. He is presumed to have a heart for everybody's woes, to be a solvent for everybody's necessities, and a general bureau of information, covering all questions from Christian Science to higher criticism and from daily occupation to matrimony and divorce. He is also supposed to be able to speak with equal fecundity and effect on any occasion that may offer and upon any theme that the occasion may suggest, and to be so charged with versatile stores of fancy, epigram and nonsense as to require for the emergency only the easy turning of the spigot.—Saturday Evening Post.

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Letter from Manila.

Manila, Jan. 9, 1901.

DEAR MADAM:

I will write you a few lines to let you know that I am still alive. I enlisted in the Army the 10th of August. I was then sent to Fort Wood, New York. I was kept there three months, then I was sent to the Philippines. I have only been here two weeks, and will probably have to stay two years, and perhaps longer, but then I suppose I am as well off here as any where else.

* * * *

I am in hopes to live to come home but it is very doubtful; strong men are dying every day here. If you ever hear any one say they are going to join the Army tell them not to. A man comes in strong and healthy and after serving three years, he is discharged a total wreck, unfit for any other mode of life, morally or physically. A native killed five men about a week ago. The war is nearly over. The natives are just the color of chocolate, and the greater part of them, both men and women, only wear a piece of cloth around the middle of their body,—all the rest is bare. How are—and—? Ask them to write to me and be sure and write yourself. All there is for excitement is to get letters from the States. Be sure to tell me all the news. If the girls were here they would eat so much fruit they would be sick, as oranges and bananas are five for a cent here. I am not the same kind of a soldier as the Mann boy was,—he was a volunteer and I am a regular. He enlisted for a few months while I enlisted for three years.

Well, this is all that I can think of this time, so I will close with love to all. Hoping to hear from you soon, I remain,

Yours truly,
HARRY E. ETHRIDGE,
Manila,
Philippine Islands.
Co. K, 20th Infantry.

The Indispensable Commonplace.

The human mind is easily fascinated by the extraordinary.

Whatever is superlative in its way becomes at once the absorbing topic of conversation. The richest man in the world, the fastest horse in the world, the biggest fool in the world—the press makes these the subjects of its comments, to the exclusion of the things which are not phenomenal.

But wise minds will not forget that the world wags on, that commerce, industry, art and life maintain the balance of thing, by the undisturbed progress of the commonplace.

Ordinary people, ordinary duties, ordinary opportunities, make up the indispensable qualities of life. "One rain-drop falling on moor or meadow or mountain; one flake of snow melting into the immeasurable sea, is, and forever must be, the symbol of most men's acts and character."

The workingman who becomes dissatisfied with the monotony of his daily task with its daily wage; the housewife who frets herself in ill-temper because of the "ceaseless round of little cares;" the schoolboy who chafes under the unexciting details of a humdrum existence; all these have need to be reminded that life in its largest relation—the State, the race, the wide, wide world—is dependent upon life in its most limited environment; upon the common worker, the common weaver, the common weal.

The hewer of wood and drawer of water is as necessary to the plan by which society exists as are the judge, the senator, the magistrate. A watch marks time quite as much by the assistance of the smallest part of its mechanism as by the mainspring or the balance-wheel. The State—that is to say, organized society—is such a machine. It has its dial and hands. These are visible and prominent. But behind these, out of sight, and out of thought, save to those who have looked into the elaborate construction of it all, are the common parts, upon whose regular motion the whole depends.—Saturday Evening Post.

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Broken Brie-a-Brae.
Mr. Major, the famous cement man, of New York, explains some very interesting facts about Major's Cement.
The multitudes who use this standard article know that it is many hundred per cent. better than other cements for which similar claims are made, but a great many do not know why. The simple reason is that Mr. Major uses the best materials ever discovered and other manufacturers do not use them because they are too expensive and do not allow large profits. Mr Major tells us that one of the elements of his cement costs $3 75 per pound and another costs $2 65 a gallon, while a large share of the so-called cements and liquid glue upon the market are nothing more than sixteen-cent glue dissolved in water or citric acid, and in some cases altered slightly in color and odor by the addition of cheap and useless materials.
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A LITTLE CROSS.

By ADA BENTWICK STONE.

"Something is troubling you, Bertha."

"Nonsense! What could I have to trouble me?" she challenged him.

"I don't know, unless I have been remiss in some way. I wish you'd tell me when I make foolish blunders, for I mean well—I really do."

Her eyes had a smile in them as they met his frankly. "I haven't the least tiny bit of fault to find with you, Maurice. So run along, or you will be late to the office," she answered lightly.

"You are sure you're contented?"

"Of course," she had hesitated an instant before answering, but he did not notice it and went away satisfied.

She stood at the window and he looked up and waved his hand as he went down the street. Then she went about her morning's work with a thoughtful face.

They had set up housekeeping in Maurice's mother's house. Mrs. Gay herself lived down-stairs. Maurice had been his mother's idol, and when she found that he had serious thoughts of marrying, the discovery nearly cost her a fit of sickness. "There is nobody in the world with whom I am first, now," she wailed. "I have given you all my love and devotion for twenty-five years, and now—now you see a foolish young girl a few times, and she is more to you than I am."

"But you left your mother for my father," he said, using the old, old argument.

"That was altogether different."

"And I care just as much for you as I ever did—more, because since I have known Bertha, I seem to care more for everybody."

Mrs. Gay burst into passionate weeping.

"Don't—don't!" he cried, in great distress. "I never shall feel toward anyone—not even Bertha—as I do toward my mother—never!"

But Mrs. Gay refused to be comforted.

Maurice was deeply stirred. He even thought of asking Bertha to release him. But when next he saw her, he knew he could not give her up. It was right he should marry, he argued, and when his mother came to know Bertha she would feel differently. She would see that instead of losing a son, she would gain a daughter.

Everything seemed to have turned out as he had hoped. Bertha always called Mrs. Gay "mother," and no own daughter could have been more thoughtful. "We must not leave her out of our good times, Maurice," she said, "or let her feel lonely," and Mrs. Gay went about with them, enjoyed their visitors, and no longer wept or wore an injured expression.

"Bertha, you *are* unhappy about something." This was several weeks later, but Maurice immediately connected it in his mind with the first time.

"Do you know, I think you should write novels—or plays," she teased. "You have such a strong imagination," And she put her hands on his shoulders and looked at him intently, till he had to smile. "There, you imaginative boy!" she triumphed. "Dare to tell me I'm unhappy!" and again he was reassured.

But there came a time when he would not be put off so easily. It was several months later. "Aren't you getting a little—just a little morbid?" he ventured. "It isn't natural that anyone should be depressed without reason. Mother thinks you keep too quiet, that you should exercise more—don't you think it would be better?"

He saw her lip quiver and a tear creep out from under her eyelid. "I fear it is as mother said," he thought, "and she hasn't much strength of character," and he smothered a little sigh of disappointment as he smoothed and petted her.

"I don't mean to be silly," she said, as soon as she could control her voice; "but sometimes I feel so—tired."

Afterward he reminded his mother that Bertha did all their housework except the washing.

"A mere nothing, and she only half does it at that," Mrs. Gay answered sharply. "You spoil her, Maurice."

His mother had always ruled him and her opinion had been law.

He had not known but that Bertha's housekeeping had been perfect; and even now, though he was critically observant, he could see no fault in it. Still, he supposed his mother must be right, and the thought made him unhappy. He wished she hadn't said it.

The baby was born in the spring. Bertha had pleaded that her sister might be with her, and though Mrs. Gay said it was a foolish whim and a needless expense, he could not refuse. He loved his wife dearly, even if she did lack in strength of character and housewifeliness. It was hard to go against his mother, nevertheless, and he keenly felt her disapproval and displeasure.

The sister came, and stayed till the baby was six weeks old. Mrs. Gay took a strong dislike to her for some reason, and seldom came up-stairs while she was there. But Bertha's sister didn't seem to mind it at all, and was as jolly as a lark from morning to night. Bertha and Maurice agreed that they hadn't laughed so much since they were married.

But after she was gone, Bertha seemed to lose strength, or at least not to gain any, and Maurice at last went to his mother. "Hadn't I better hire a girl for awhile?" he asked anxiously.

Mrs. Gay laughed. "You are so afraid Bertha will hurt herself with work," she said. "There isn't the least danger. Bertha is perfectly well, and your family is so small. Why, I did all my work, and didn't send out the washing either, when I had four children, and took two boarders, besides."

The baby thrived, if his mother didn't, and Maurice was very proud of him. "Do you intend giving him an entire bath every day all through the winter?" he asked one November morning. "Mother thinks it is a dangerous practice and very weakening. I told her I'd speak to you about it."

Bertha bent over the child to unfasten some part of his clothing and did not answer at once. When she did, she spoke quietly. "Yes, I mean to bathe him every day."

"But, my dear! Mother is so experienced, and you so inexperienced. We don't want to lose our boy—"

She colored slightly, then smiled as she held the child up for inspection. "Does he look sickly?" she asked.

As Maurice looked at him and saw how plump and rosy and bright-eyed he was, and took him in his arms and felt how strong, he had to admit that he saw no sign of illness.

"But we want to keep him well," he argued, not quite satisfied.

"That is what I mean to do."

"But these cold mornings—he must get chilled through."

"Maurice, dear"—her tone was earnest—"don't you see that I must use my own reason? Can anyone be so anxious to have him strong and well? I am his mother—I have a responsibility in the matter."

"You should be willing to be taught by those who know more than you do."

"I am willing and eager; but my judgment must approve."

"I don't see that I can do anything with you—you will have your own way." He laughed as he said it, but there was an undercurrent of displeasure.

"Yes, I've always had the reputation of being willful," she laughed back, and beneath her words was an undercurrent of pain.

The subject was not referred to again, but Maurice looked for croup and pneumonia and influenza, and drew a long breath when winter and early spring were safely passed.

One evening when the boy was asleep, Maurice drew his wife down onto his knee as she was passing his chair. "Bertha," he said, "what has come over you? You don't seem as you used to."

"You almost wish you hadn't married me—now, confess," she answered, in the old teasing way.

"Don't, Bertha! I can't bear to have you speak so, even in jest," he reproached her.

"But you do wish I was different?"

"I don't like to have you so quiet," he returned. "And—and it is rather bitter to feel that you do not trust me."

"Maurice!"

"Yes," he went on, "I am convinced that there is something you have been keeping from me ever since we were married—or nearly as long as that."

She was silent.

"Weren't you crying in the night?" he demanded.

"I thought you were asleep," she said in a low voice.

"Why didn't you answer when I spoke?"

"I—I wanted you to think I was asleep," and she smiled faintly.

"Why were you crying?"

"I was wakeful, and I wanted to do something to pass away the time."

He looked at her reproachfully; then putting her off his knee arose and walked to the other side of the room, and stood there with his back toward her.

She watched him for a moment, with a miserable expression in her eyes, then followed him.

"Maurice, I will tell you—something about it. I have a little cross—you would doubtless think it very, very little—that concerns no one but myself. 'Tis the only one thing I have kept from you. And now I ask you to trust me, and—and let me bear it in peace," she ended whimsically.

"Tell me what it is and let me help you bear it?"

She shook her head. "The only way you can lighten it is to be patient with me when—when I am so weak as to show I have it."

"But——"

She looked at him beseechingly, and he forebore to question her.

Very likely it was a small matter, as she said, and perhaps the best way was to ignore it or treat it lightly.

So, after this, when he fancied he detected the shadow, he would ask, "Is it the little cross?" and be especially kind. No doubt she was childish and notional, as his mother had said; but then she was young, he reasoned, and very likely her little troubles seemed large to her. He wished she had more of his mother's strength of character. He saw her partly through his mother's eyes, and though he would hardly acknowledge it to himself, was not quite satisfied with her.

One autumn day it happened that owing to repairs being made in the office where Maurice worked, he came home very early in the afternoon.

As he opened the outer door he heard someone talking. The voice, curiously enough, instantly recalled to his mind certain escapades of his boyhood. It was strange, and yet familiar. He went up-stairs slowly, and before he reached the top he knew it was his mother who was speaking. He paused on the landing, a startled look in his eyes.

"These windows ought to be washed on the outside," she was saying—scolding rather. "They're a disgrace to decency! And there's no excuse, no excuse at all, except slackness."

"I was intending to have Mrs. Driscoll do them Monday," Bertha answered patiently; "but there was a large washing and she seemed so tired——"

"Some people would do it themselves," snapped Mrs. Gay, "but other people prefer to squander their husband's money and be a constant drag."

"I have learned by hard experience that it doesn't pay for me to do such work." The answer was still patient.

"No, it pays better to gad about the streets half the afternoon with a baby-carriage! Oh, you needn't speak—I know what you'll say to that: 'It is necessary to baby's health,'" sneeringly. "He'd be a deal better off in the house. But, no—you want to gad, and he makes a good excuse. I never took my babies out at all when it was as blustering as 'tis to-day. He seems a little feverish, too."

"I think that mince-pie last night didn't quite agree with him."

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A Busy Mother's Lesson.

Mrs. Bond sat beside her bedroom window, running her sewing machine with nervous haste. Two little children were playing in the yard. She could hear their voices as she sewed.

"Now, Teddy, you old sweetness, sit right still while I run in and ask 'mover' if we can go over to Gracie's," and two kisses were given to baby Teddy by the motherly little sister Susie. Then the little girl came dancing into the room and said: "O, mamma, can I take baby over to Gracie's? She's got a new swing, and she's been calling over for us to come." A little coaxing arm was stealing round the mother's neck.

"Oh, dear!" said the busy mother, "see how you've made me break my thread? No, you stay right here in our own yard. How many times must I tell you before you will mind? I think you might help me by playing pretty with brother, so that I could get this dress done for you to wear tomorrow. All the rest of the girls will have on white dresses, and here it is almost five o'clock, and you know your father always wants to find supper ready, and I have one more ruffle to put on the skirt yet."

Little Susie went slowly out, away from the flood of petulant words, and presently her mother heard her voice again under the window:

"Never mind, Teddy; we'll go some time when 'moverdy' isn't nervous. I'll tell you a new play. Let's play I was dead. I'll lie here, and you cover me up with leaves, like 'the babes in the wood', you know. Let's play I was dead."

The words sent a strange chill through the heart of the hurrying mother. Her thoughts had been running on along the same line of complaining that she had expressed to the child. "If John had only let me got that embroidery for the skirt of Susie's dress, I wouldn't need to hem all these ruffles, but there is never any money to spare when I want anything. I'm sure I go without for myself willingly in order to have the children look nice; and if there is another woman that works and saves more than I do, why, I wish John had her—that's all."

So far her complaining thoughts had carried her when the sweet little voice broke in, "Play I was dead." Dead! To think of it, even in play! And yet her neighbor's little daughter was buried only last week. What if her treasure, her patient, sunny little Susie, should die? Would she think then that all she owed the child was overwork for her sake? Or would she wish she had been less hurried, and made the little heart happy in a serene and joyous home? How many times had she pushed that loving little arm off her neck because she was hurried? How many times laid her own burden of care, worry and fretfulness upon that slender little spirit that should be care-free as a bird?

Conscience began to struggle as Mrs. Bond sewed yet faster. Suppose Susie were, indeed, to die. What would baby do? No one could amuse him like sweet and patient Susie. And she was the sunshine of her father's life. What would home be to him without her?

Suddenly Mrs. Bond's brow crimsoned as she had to own to herself that she had, unconsciously, determined that her husband should have a cloudy supper hour; for was it not hard for her that he should refuse even a little embroidery for her child's dress? Now, she thought, "Poor John! He is so proud of Susie! Perhaps he could not get the money, and felt bad about it."

"Now, I'm dead," came the voice from out side.

Mrs. Bond rose from the machine and looked out. Under the apple tree, with eyes shut very tightly, and chubby hands (not over clean), folded primly across her breast, lay Susie, while little Teddy was busily piling a heap of lilac leaves over her sunny curls as they lay widespread on the grass. A smile and a sigh met together on the mother's lips.

"I will go and stir up some of those griddle cakes John is so fond of for supper," she soliloquized; "then he'll know I'm sorry I was cross about the dress."

Strange how hard husbands and wives find it to say little, easy sentences such as "I was wrong," "I am sorry," "I love you," "Forgive me!"

Mrs. Bond hurried to the kitchen (which she always left shining with cleanliness before she began her afternoon sewing, no matter how weary she was). She had scarcely been able to prepare the appetizing meal which she had planned, and was hurrying, as usual, when she heard a loud scream, and Susie ran in carrying Teddy, from whose fingers the blood dropped on the white floor as he reached out his arms for "mover." It was too provoking, just as she was going to have everything pleasant for her husband.

"O you naughty child!" she begun, "you had to let him get hurt, just as I was in—"

The sentence died on her lips as she met Susie's sorrowful gaze, noted the pale face, the quivering lip, and the trembling form of her precious little daughter. "Play she was dead," whispered a voice in her fretful heart.

"Never mind, darling; mother knows you did the best you could," and she gave the astonished Susie a hurried kiss as she carried baby to the sink. "Now help mother, for father will be here right away. You can bring the roll of white pieces from the pantry drawer to wrap up these poor little fingers, and then wash up the blood from the floor before it dries." Susie hurried to obey.

"Now, Teddy, man, don't cry. You can play you are a wounded soldier, and sit in the high chair by the window, and watch for papa while I get his supper."

Susie was eager to help and seemed so grateful to escape sharp words that Mrs. Bond experienced a queer guilty feeling. Had she, then, been so unkind to the child she loved so tenderly that a little forbearance caused surprise and gratitude?

In spite of hurry, the supper was not ready, when Mr. Bond came slowly up the walk. His brow was clouded, and his wife noted that his shoulders were stooping, and his walk was listless. Plainly, John was overworked, and he advanced as if uncertain of the state of the home atmosphere.

"Poor John!" she thought. "Play he was dead!" She must make home a more restful place for him. What would that home be, should he never come into it any more? So she smiled bravely at him, and waved the pancake turner gaily, in token that the dish he liked was in preparation.

His brow cleared instantly, and, turning to take and toss little Teddy, he was soon deep in the discussion of how the knife shut up on the two chubby, hurt fingers. A whispered word to Susie, and there lay beside papa's plate a spray of the pink bleeding heart that had been transplanted from his own mother's dooryard.

"Is it a birthday, or what?" he asked, lifting the flowers, as he took another golden brown griddle-cake. "I thought you would be too hurried and worried over that dress to get any supper."

Mrs. Bond blushed a little. Was kindness, then, so strange in the home over which she presided that a little gift of love, that cost nothing, should occasion surprise? Yet, what had she planned for the supper hour before Susie's play? If not absolute unkindness, yet a resentment of his refusal of the embroidery for the dress.

"It was time I had the lesson," she thought. "I will do as I wish I had if he should die."

After the supper work was done, the sponge set for light rolls for breakfast, and the children, rosy from the bath, in bed, she hoped to finish Susie's dress; for the next day was Sunday.

But Teddy was restless, kept wanting a drink, and would let no one tend him but his "mover." With an impatient gesture she left her work, and bent over the crib. "Go to sleep this minute, you naughty baby!" she said. But the red lip was "put up" pitifully, and the little pleading hand that touched her cheek was too hot.

"Play he was dead," said the voice in her heart. "Would you value a dress above your loving baby, who needs your care, and can never be a baby but once?"

She took the baby into her arms, and gently sang, and laved the hot hands and face with warm water. By and by the white lids drooped over the blue eyes and baby slept. But it was long before the mother sought her pillow.

Sitting there in silence, slowly rocking her child, her thoughts took unaccustomed courses. What was she doing with her life, and the lives of those dearest to her? "Is not the life more than meat, and the body more than raiment?" Was the demon of hurry spoiling her home? Was she so overworked that she was habitually fretful? Suppose she should die! Would her children remember only a fretful voice and a face clouded with worry? Would they be happier in the care of someone more serene and gentle? Would they remember, not the work mother did for them, but the unjust scolding and nervous worry? What did it matter how they were clothed as babies? They would not remember nor care. But if she could give them a childhood bright enough to light all after-life, happy, serene, with no tempests of fright and anger, with the memory of mother as the one who never failed them, but was the constant source of love, sympathy, forgiveness and comfort, no matter what they had done,—ah, that was what she would strive for, John should see. She would be different.

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WEDNESDAY, MAR. 27, 1901.

And it was a pretty good Legislature, after all.

The law makers have earned their nine cents and gone home.

Yes, happiness is a relative term, all right, but not always the term of relatives.

Cuba's independence seems to be done up in red tape with the long end in Washington.

A Buffalo editor, who recently visited Cuba, says the only feeling that the average Cuban has toward us is hatred.

Mr. Carnegie has probably long ago found out that there are more cursings for a refusal of money than blessings for a donation.

Everything is so still and lonely in Augusta, now a-days, that the natives all feel as though they had just come home from a funeral.

Hon. Grover Cleveland is the only living ex-president and in the estimation of few, at least, he is the greatest, if not the only living statesman.

It will be interesting indeed to watch the manipulation of municipal affairs by the feminine sex, if the Denver, Colorado, Prohibitionists succeed in electing their ticket as each and every candidate is a woman.

Official Washington is quaking in its shoes lest some busybody shall contest the validity of the seven appropriation bills which the President signed on Sunday, March 3, and thus tie up indefinitely, the $500,000,000 carried by them.

Recruits for the new army are not coming in fast enough to fill the transports at San Francisco which are now ready to sail. This is due to the high standard required of the recruits, only one out of five applicants being accepted.

When we hear of the scorchings that people are always getting at the hands, or rather from the mouths of pretended friends, we sigh, yes, we draw a great long breath and casually think, what a double-faced, triple-sided, quadruple-mouthed, quintuple-tongued, and sextuple-galled race mankind is anyway, and we are glad we don't belong to it.

Hon. Leroy T. Carleton, a member of the inland Fish and Game Commission, has resigned as a member of the Legislature from the class district of Winthrop, Belgrade and Rome. The resignation was accepted by Governor Hill. During the recently adjourned session of the Legislature an order was introduced asking the Supreme court whether it was constitutional for a man to serve as a member of the Fish and Game Commission and of the Legislature at the same time.

Maine does not lack for gubernatorial candidates for 1904. Four have already been named by the press, namely: Hon. Waldo Pettengill of Rumford Falls, Hon. Wm. T. Cobb of Rockland, Hon. E. P. Ricker of Poland and Senator Bert Fernald of Poland. Well, this timber is sound and strong like much of the Maine growth and it is not all that we have that is being nourished for executive purposes, for the NEWS man heard it whispered real loud in the rotunda of the Capitol, last week, that our modest Joe Manley has his best eye focused on the executive chair, as does also the Hon. O. F. Fellows of Bucksport.

Editors can do almost anything but they cannot always smooth the troubled seas upon which the barks of some of their neighbors and friends are semi-occasionally being launched. We are always free to discuss matters of local interest in an intelligent manner, but we cannot furnish a medium through which neighborhood grievances may find expression, and personal spites and prejudices be avenged. Not unfrequently are we interviewed by some person who has wandered hither in search of a medium through which he may give vent to his pent-up feelings by focusing his wrath upon his seeming adversary through our columns; their search has always been a fruitless one; our columns never have been, and never will be, open for the settlement of neighborhood troubles, and we hope that those who have annoyed us in the past, will accept this as final and let us alone.

An Effort to Bring the School and the Home Together.

The gulf between parent and teacher is too common a phenomenon to need exposition. The existence of the chasm is probably due more to carelessness, to pressure of time, or to indolence than to any more serious delinquencies; yet all will admit the disastrous effects that flow from the fact that there is not the close intellectual and spiritual sympathy that there should be between the school and the home.

Whether or not this failure of teacher and parent to come to a close and perfect measure of sympathetic cooperation is more prevalent or less prevalent in city than in country is not of great importance in this discussion. The purpose of this article is to describe very briefly an attempt which is being made in the State of Michigan to bridge the gulf—to create a common standing-ground for both teacher and parent—and on that basis to carry on an educational campaign that it is hoped will result in the many desirable conditions which, *a priori*, might be expected from such a union. At present the movement is confined practically to the rural schools. It consists in the organization of a county "Teachers and Patrons' Association," with a membership of teachers and school patrons, properly officered. Its chief method of work is to hold one or more meetings a year, usually in the country, or in small villages, and the programme is designed to cover educational questions in such a way as to be of interest and profit to both teachers and farmers.—Review of Reviews.

State Tax.

The State tax on the several towns in Oxford County for the next year is as follows:

Albany,	$ 364 33
Andover,	560 91
Bethel,	2,335 02
Brownfield,	842 17
Buckfield,	1,073 70
Byron,	229 23
Canton,	956 91
Denmark,	762 65
Dixfield,	971 12
Fryeburg,	2,293 89
Gilead,	368 82
Grafton,	157 17
Greenwood,	412 68
Hanover,	219 06
Hartford,	679 59
Hebron,	562 16
Hiram,	948 16
Lovell,	1,072 93
Mason,	92 84
Mexico,	600 76
Newry,	324 50
Norway,	3,589 73
Oxford,	1,236 42
Paris,	3,584 01
Peru,	628 27
Porter,	678 36
Roxbury,	169 64
Rumford,	4,734 03
Stoneham,	218 36
Stow,	333 03
Sumner,	659 12
Sweden,	416 34
Upton,	278 59
Waterford,	793 64
Woodstock,	587 88
Milton Plantation,	155 22
Total,	$23,892 16

The Seventieth Legislature.

The seventieth Maine Legislature is a thing of the past. For twelve long weeks the Legislators have toiled for the solution of the problems that have confronted them and the NEWS extra, which we are pleased to hand to our readers this week, gives the result of their deliberations.

As far as volume is concerned the seventieth is certainly up to the sixty-ninth, and few will question but that it is in the point of real business-like legislation. Conservatism in appropriations has characterized this session, although we hear it whispered that it was not until the executive mark was placed upon one appropriation bill that financiers could claim this as one of their crowning virtues. Few are the counties that have not felt the effect of this conservatism in a greater or less degree. Resolve after resolve, calling for thousands of dollars has been turned down, although the various causes for which they were petitioned were just and deserving.

The aggregate appropriations exceed those of two years ago by $45,000 but here the committee on taxation as erted itself, and taxation laws were enacted which bring with them an additional annual revenue upwards of $450,000. We would not, however, be rendering to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, did we not say, that, to the Grangers of Maine belongs much of the credit for the enactment of these taxation laws. They appeared before the Legislature with nine bills, eight of which were adopted. It is expected that the steam railroad tax bill will bring treasuryward $118,000; the street railroad tax, $3,000; the telegraph and telephone tax $5,000; the pullman palace car tax $2,000; the collateral inheritance tax $15,000; the corporate franchise tax $100,000, and the trust and banking companies, $27,000; the express companies, $2,000.

A cart-load of fish and game laws has passed as usual with cart-loads left to follow. A general Academy bill has been enacted, which is quite acceptable to the friends of Academies throughout the State, and which will save much lobbying in the future. On the whole, the record of the seventieth has been a very good one, and will pass into history as ranking well with that of its predecessors.

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Mother Hints.

Encourage domestic tendencies in your little girls by teaching them never to neglect their dolls by allowing them to go untidy and uncared for. Accustom them to make and mend. If this is done, their love for the dollies will become of important educational value in later years, says Home Chat.

Never bathe a child directly after it has been fed, for the doctors say there is great danger of its going into convulsions if it is put into water when the stomach is full and the food undigested.

When a child has thin eyebrows and lashes, benefit will be derived if they are gently rubbed several times a day with pure vaseline, and eyelashes at night should be anointed before the child is put to bed. This treatment will encourage growth.

Display of the Handkerchief.

There is a real art in the proper display of this essential accessory of dress and comfort. Avoid extreme patterns, styles and all colors. The most elegant handkerchief for everyday use is pure linen, as fine as one's purse can buy, hemstitched either by hand or by machinery or with an embroidered edge and with a monogram, initial or crest in one corner, says The American Queen. For dressy occasions the handkerchief may be more elaborate, but good taste demands that it must ever be white or of the color of old lace. Hold your handkerchief freely in your hand if you have no receptacle or pocket for it. Do not roll it into a ball, and do not use it too frequently or in a manner to attract attention.

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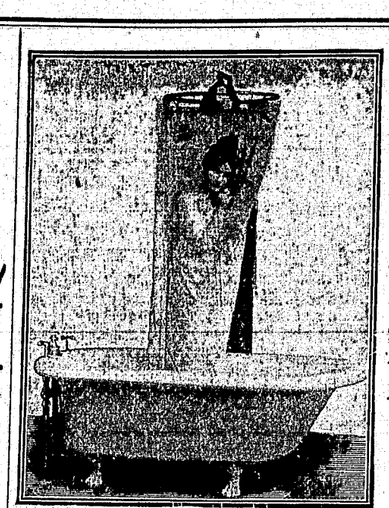

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NEWRY CORNER.

Mr, and Mrs. J. R. Howard are improving in health.

Eli Stearns is hauling timber to the mill for John Allen.

Misses Fannie and Carrie Hastings were in town on Friday.

E. R. Lane's supply of sugar for the Grange, arrived on Tuesday.

Mrs. Dell Smith from Rumford Falls was at the home farm yesterday.

Mrs. Neville Howard and Miss Nellie were at Bethel village on Friday.

Sap is not running freely yet in this vicinity, so say the sugarmakers.

Ray Verrill of Strong, is in town selling teas, coffee, spices and perfumery.

Mr. and Mrs. Neville Howard visited Henry Abbott of Rumford last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Smith were guests of their father, Jonathan Smith, on Sunday last.

After a year's absence, Harry Bailey has returned for a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bailey.

The Misses Ethel and Grace Hastings were at Rumford Falls on Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Swain visited their parents at Roxbury, last week. Mrs. Swain will remain there for a lengthy visit.

Mrs. Minnie Abbott of Upton was in town with a nice assortment of samples of wall paper, taking orders for the same.

H. S. Hastings tapped one hundred and fifty maples on Friday morning. Never was tapping more laboroius or disagreeable than this year, owing to the depth of snow.

What is more pleasant than a surprise, when it takes the form of a party on your twenty-second birthday, with the accompaniment of delicious refreshments, and all the social pleasures of an evening with friends? And Warren Cole answers "Nothing."

WEST BETHEL.

The drifts are softening,

March grows more lamb-like.

Mrs. Percy O'Brien is quite feeble.

Sumner P. Davis of Grafton was in town, Saturday.

Albert W. Grover of Bethel Hill was in this place Sunday.

M. O'Reilly is again holding his old position in the railway station.

Heavily loaded sleds still pass over our roads, and cross the Androscoggin river on the ice.

Mrs. Mary A. Dow came down from Grafton, Saturday, and will hereafter have a home with her daughter, Mrs. Hattie A. Grover.

Elmer R. Briggs came home from North Stratford, N. H., Saturday afternoon, and Sunday evening went to Wenlock, Vt., where he is to be day operator in that station for a week or two.

Millard L. Mason, formerly of this place, who has been an assistant in the Greenfield, N. H., station, has been placed in charge of the station in Marlboro, N. H. His numerous friends here are pleased to learn of his promotion.

A Remedy for the Grippe.

A remedy recommended for patients afflicted with the Grippe is KEMP'S BALSAM, which is especially adapted for the throat and lungs. Don't wait for the first symptoms of the disease, get a bottle to-day and keep it for use the moment it is needed. If neglected the grippe has a tendency to bring on pneumonia. KEMP'S BALSAM prevents this by keeping the cough loose and lungs free from inflammation. All druggists sell KEMP'S BALSAM at 25c and 50c. 38

SOUTH PARIS.

Gould Spofford has returned to Hopedale, Mass.

Wheels are now taking the place of runners in a number of cases.

Mrs. Glover of Buckfield is visiting relatives and friends in this village.

The Grange gave a whist party Friday evening. Twelve tables were filled.

A happy company gathered at the G. A. R. Hall for a candy pull, Saturday evening.

Corp. S. H. Cable is in town enlisting recruits for the U. S. army for foreign service.

The Grange Contest has closed and the dinner was furnished to the winners, Saturday.

The High school commenced Monday, and the lower schools will begin in two weeks.

Mr. Lafayette Waterhouse, who has been sick with the grip the past three weeks, is improving.

Loring Starbird has returned from Massachusetts, and is now at work in the shoe shop at Norway.

Prof. H. R. Eaton and Miss Florence Lowell, assistant, have returned from Auburn to teach the spring term of High school.

The oldest inhabitant cannot remember when the lakes and ponds were so low at this season. There will probably be water enough soon.

CANTON.

H. V. Starrett of the Maine State Register, was in town last week.

Miss Annie Richardson of Rumford Falls visited frlends in town last week.

Dr. A. L. Stanwood was the guest of L. B. Smith and family, last Friday.

Mr. Burnham of Gilead was the guest of his sister, Mrs. C. H. Gilbert, last week.

Dr. F. W. Morse went to Lewiston last week with Mr. Gallant, who was taken to the hospital.

Mr. Wedge, who has been employed in the tannery for the past year, has moved to New Brunswick.

Miss Maud Douglas of Paris arrived in town Tuesday, to attend the funeral of her cousin, Herbert Gilbert.

Mr. and Mrs. Dura Bradford have received word from their son, Frank, of his safe arrival in Washington, D. C.

Willis C. Smith of Lewiston, who injured his hand severely recently, is again able to attend to his business. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Smith of this town.

H. E. Coolidge, Esq. and wife of Lisbon Falls were the guests of his parents, Dr. C. A. Coolidge and wife, last Saturday. Mr. Coolidge also completed the purchase of the farm on the Livermore road, belonging to the heirs of the late Orin Stetson.

An Honest Medicine for LaGrippe.

George W. Waitt, of South Gardiner, Me., says: "I have had the worst cough, cold, chills and grip and have taken lots of trash of no account but profit to the vendor. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the only thing that has done any good whatever. I have used one bottle of it and the chills, cold and grip have all left me. I congratulate the manufacturers of an honest medicine."

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GILEAD.

Spring has begun.

James Armstrong has moved into town.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Percival went to Mechanic Falls, Monday.

Born, March 20, to the wife of William Hicks, a daughter.

James Guptill has moved into R. L. Bennett's house.

It is reported there is to be a May ball at Gilead.

Married, March 20, Miss Nora Heath and Fred Goodnow, both of Gilead.

J. W. Bennett is going to start the other bolter in his birch mill, Monday.

There was a ball in the Town Hall last Friday, and an oyster supper. A number from out of town attended.

What Shall We Have for Dessert?

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RUMFORD FALLS.

High school closed last Friday for the spring vacation.

Eben E. Smith, who has been very ill for some time, is improving slowly.

Harry Marx and wife returned last Wednesday, from a week's trip to New York.

Pauline Dyer is spending a two weeks' vacation with relatives and friends in Lewiston.

W. I. White has the contract to build, and will commence at once on a six-room cottage for Casey Brothers, on Whitman street, Ridlonville.

Wm. B. Stevens, who was so seriously injured in the paper mill a few weeks ago, is slowly improving, and hopes to be able to leave the hospital soon.

J. Hanson and family have moved from what is known as the Blanchard and Twitchell boarding house, to the rent over James Kellick's restaurant.

WEST PARIS.

A. R. Bucknam lost a nice horse one day recently,

N. J. Cushman has the body of his mill up and nearly covered in.

Mr. Irvin Bowker of So. Paris was in onr village one day last week.

Mrs. Charles Kimball called on relatives here Wednesday and Thursday.

We are very glad to say that after a serious pullback by the grip, H. G. Brown is again on the mend.

F. S. Farnum has returned from Shelburne, N. H., where he has been driving a logging team the past winter.

The bluebirds and robins have made their appearance, so we conclude that warmer weather, as well as springtime, has again come for our enjoyment.

Alton Bicknell was unfortunate enough to lose a fine 3-year-old steer by the breaking of a leg, while at work in the woods on Tuesday last.

Evangelistic services began in the M. E. chapel on Sunday evening, March 24, conducted by the pastors. The meetings for this week will be held in the chapel and next week in the F. B. church.

Mrs. H. E. Hamilton of Everett, Mass., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Dunham. Mr. Hamilton leaves his position as teacher in the Everett schools, and goes into business at Bellows Falls, Vt.

MAGALLOWAY.

The first rain for the winter fell last week.

J. R. Turner moved out of the woods, Thursday.

The Berlin Mills Co. is carrying up their driving tools.

M. D. Sturtevant and crew will come out of camp, Saturday.

At the annual town meeting held March 18, the following officers were chosen: Moderator, Lewis Leavitt; clerk, P. C. Ripley; assessors, M. D. Sturtevant, M. C. Linnell, H. Hoyt; treasurer, Lewis Leavitt; road commissioner, M. D. Sturtevant; collector and constable, J. S. Wilson; member of school committee, P. C. Ripley.

WILSON'S MILLS.

J. A. Dunning was in town Tuesday.

F. A. Flint has a crew cutting ice for his summer supply.

A. H. Curtis of Groveton, N. H., was in town selling goods the first of the week.

The Berlin Mills Co. is hauling its driving supplies and batteaux through here.

J. S. Wilson and wife have been in town visiting Mrs. C. T. Fox and Mrs. F. A. Flint.

Albert Littlefield of Stoneham was in town, Wednesday, with his usual assortment of goods.

Rev. Frank E. Rand held a meeting at the schoolhouse Sunday. He has been in town the past week securing subscriptions for a church to be built in this town.

Rev. Mr. Porter of Colebrook, N. H., gave an exhibition with a fine phonograph at the schoolhouse, Tuesday evening. Alba Noyes, also of Colebrook, accompanied him.

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Good Quality Apron Gingham,	5c
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58c. 10-4 White Blankets,	48c
Extra Good Bedspreads, (crochet), full size,	58c
75c. School Umbrellas,	49c
38c. Black Moreen, for skirts,	28c
Muslin Embroidered Collars,	10c
25c. Madras Gingham,	19c
Boys' Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, 7c., 9.,	10c
Ladies' Woven Bordered Handkerchiefs, pure linen,	10c
Extra Good Quality Wash Silks,	50c
$1.25 Brocade Novelty Dress Goods, shades of brown,	75c
$1.25 Novelty Mixtures,	75c
$1.25 Grey Suiting, 50 inches wide,	$1.00
15c. Ruffled Muslin Curtains, all ready for use,	12c
$1.25 Real Kid Suede Gloves, (2-clasp, all colors),	$1.00
$2.00 Skirts, Umbrella Style, deep ruffle fine embroid'y	$1.65
1 lot of Cambric Corset Covers, fancy front, lace trimmed,	29c
$1.00 Summer Corsets, H. & S.,	50c
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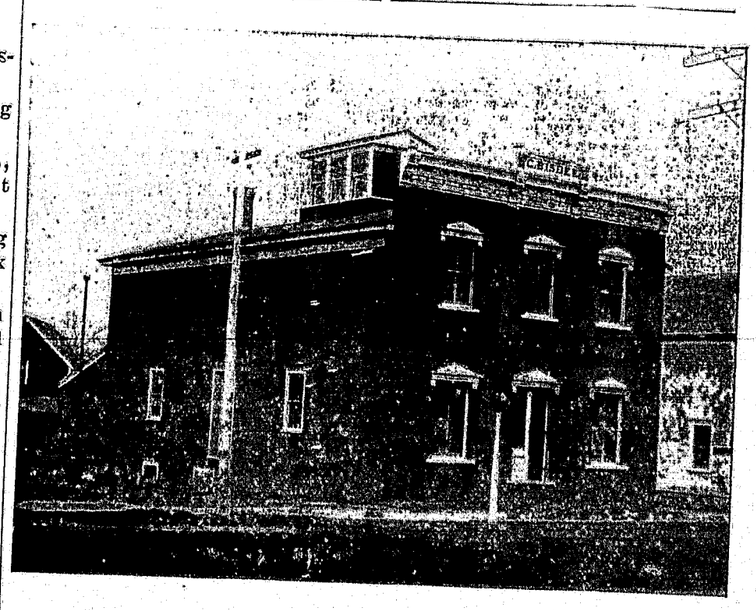

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A LITTLE CROSS.

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Bertha spoke deprecatingly. "I—I don't like him ever to have it."

"Another of your cranky notions!" Mrs. Gay was angry now. "The idea of a little mince-pie hurting a year-and-a-half old boy! 'Tis ridiculous, and I tell you plainly I shall give him pie or cake or anything I choose, whenever I get the chance.

"Now sulk! Well, I pity Maurice. He must see by this time what a mistake he made. Come, Freddie, down to grandma's part, till poor foolish mamma gets pleasant again."

"Tell grandma, Freddie, dear, that you are going to ride now." Bertha's voice was tremulous, but gentle.

"Ride!—Ride!" the child echoed joyously, and there was a patter of little feet. Mrs. Gay observed that she had a good mind to wash those *dirty* windows herself, and with this parting shot, took herself to her own domain by the back stairs.

Maurice retraced his steps down the front ones and out onto the street. His legs felt weak under him, and his head swam. His mother to talk like that! It was horrible! How he could have stood still and listened to it. It couldn't have been the first time—there must have been a long series of such persecutions. And Bertha had never said a word about them.

Then suddenly it flashed upon him that this was her little cross. "And I have made it heavier," he thought remorsefully, "by telling her what mother said, and urging her to go by it. About Freddie, too! What right had mother to advise? She had seven children, and all except me died before they were ten years old—and Freddie has never had a sick day in his life."

He kept on walking aimlessly. When at last he had become used to his troubles somewhat and looked about him, he found he was four miles from home. It occurred to him that Bertha had once given it as her opinion that this was the pleasantest part of the town. Immediately afterward he remembered that a friend of his had a house to sell in this very locality. Then he started as a new thought struck him.

"'Twill do no harm to look at it," he murmured. "Possibly it may be the very thing."

It was easy to find it and to obtain the key. He liked the location, to begin with, and after a thorough inspection from cellar to attic, it seemed to him the house could not have suited him better if it had been made to order. He went back to town, saw the owner, agreed to buy the place, and paid down fifty dollars to bind the bargain.

Then he started for home. He dreaded meeting his mother. It would be difficult to hide his changed feelings toward her. He had decided that neither she nor Bertha should ever know what he had overheard that afternoon.

It was growing dusk when he entered his mother's sitting-room, and he was glad she could not see his face perfectly as he told her of his purchase. "I haven't let Bertha know, yet," he added. "She doesn't even suspect that I ever had such an idea in my head."

Mrs. Gay took it more quietly than he expected. "I supposed it would come, sooner or later," she said, and sighed.

Then he went up-stairs. It seemed a long time since noon. Tea was ready, and he watched his wife across the table. The little cloud was there, and his food seemed to choke him as he saw how bravely she tried to hide it and appear cheerful.

He saw her with new eyes tonight. The gentle purity of her face awed him, and a certain fragility oppressed him with uneasiness. In the future she should have someone to help her.

When they were settled for the evening, he imparted his news.

"Is there a pleasant, sunny room for mother?" Bertha asked, after the first surprise.

"Mother will stay here."

"Oh—ought you to leave her so?" she questioned in a troubled tone.

"Yes," he said. "She would be discontented anywhere else. The Pattens will move back in here, and now I think her much-talked-of cousin Sarah will come to live with her. And we're not going out of the world. She can get to see us occasionally."

Bertha looked thoughtful for a moment. "You must come to see her often, Maurice," she urged him gently. "If you don't, I shall feel as if I had somehow come between you. I have always thought it one of the meanest things a wife could do—to come between her husband and his mother. You will visit her often, won't you?"

There was a suspicion of moisture in his eyes and a hint of unsteadiness in his voice as he answered, a little irrelevantly:

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FIGURE OF HEROIC MUSIC.

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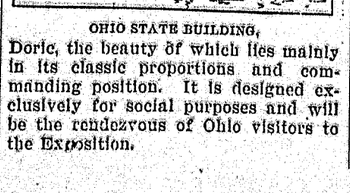

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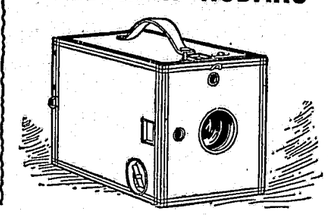

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West Bethel,	...	8.38	3.31
BETHEL, arrive.	**5.14**	**8.45**	**3.39**
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Bryant Pond,	5.30	8.58	3.55
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Portland, leave,	8.15	1.30	6.00
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Bryant Pond,	10.22	4.20	8.40
Locke's Mills,	10 31	4.28	8.50
BETHEL, arrive,	**10.41**	**4.38**	**9.03**
West Bethel,	10.47	4.46	9.13
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The bell had rung twice and very loudly, and Mrs. Stimson, who happened to be up in the garret looking over rags, hurried down to the door, thinking it must be something very important. For a moment she did not see anyone at all, and she looked about in surprise. Then a voice spoke out close beside her, and Mrs. Stimson jumped.

"Would you like to have all the weeds pulled out of your lawn?" the voice said, and another sweeter voice added, "It will cost but ten cents."

There were really two persons at Mrs. Stimson's door, but they were so small that at first she had looked right over their heads. Mrs. Stimson smiled and glanced at her lawn, where the weeds had gotten a good start. Then she looked at the boys.

"It needs weeding bad enough," she said, "but it's quite a good deal of work. Don't you think you'll get tired before it's done?"

"No'm," said both voices at once, and the boys set to work without delay. Mrs. Stimson watched them smilingly a moment before she went back to her rags. George had often pulled weeds before. Willie never had. He fluttered from one to another like a big butterfly. When he hurt his hands he looked at the red marks on the soft palms and said "Ow!" But in spite of this he was enjoying himself. His face was bright with smiles, and the little curls on his head bobbed about as if they liked it, too. For some weeks Willie had been saving his money for something that was a secret. George would have liked to know what that was, but he was too proud to ask any questions.

A strange feeling was creeping into George's heart as he worked. He said to himself that he was very foolish to ask Willie to come along. "I can work twice as fast as he can," thought George, which was quite true. "I might have done it all myself, and got ten cents instead of five." George was saving his money to buy a bat and ball. There was no secret about that.

"Aren't you tired, Willie?" he said by and by. "Because you'd better not work any more if it's too hard."

"I like to get tired," said Willie, raising his flushed little face and smiling bravely.

"Five cents isn't much, anyway. You've got such a lot of money in your bank I shouldn't think you'd care for any more," said George, who had not learned that the more money people have the more they want, as a general thing.

"I want five cents more," and Willie smiled happily, "and then I'm going to buy something. But it's a secret."

George looked cross. He was getting tired of Willie's secrets and of Willie himself. And then such a mean, unmanly thought whispered to his heart that he would not have listened to if he had stopped to think. But as people do sometimes, he spoke without thinking.

"Say, Willie, if we had a rake we could work a lot faster."

"I could get our rake, but it's an awful long way to my house. Maybe the lady that lives here has got one."

"I don't believe she has," answered George quickly. "You'd better go home for yours. You needn't hurry, you know, 'cause it's so hot."

After Willie had gone George worked very fast. His face grew flushed, from stooping, and he breathed fast, as if he had been running. Altogether he felt very uncomfortable, and he said to himself that it was because he was hot and tired.

When he rang the bell again Mrs. Stimson brought her pocketbook to the door. "Oh, the other boy went home, did he?" she said.

"Yes'm," answered George. His voice dropped down into a whisper.

"I thought he'd get tired and give up," said Mrs. Stimson. "He's such a little fellow." Then he hurried away, almost forgetting to say "Thank you."

People usually can find excuses for their wrong-doing. George found a great many for what he had done. He told himself that Willie had worked only a little while, and that very likely he got to playing when he went after the rake, and never came back at all. Mrs. Stimson must have thought he deserved all the money, or why had she given him a dime? But after he went to bed he found himself thinking of Willie's happy face as he pulled up the weeds, and of his smile as he started away to get the rake. What could he think except that his friend was a cheat?

George's father and mother had gone to a lecture that evening, and when they returned about ten o'clock, they were astonished to find George sitting on the stairs, dressed and waiting for them.

"I want to go over to Willie's," he said, and his voice sounded as if he had been crying.

"To Willie's! At this time of night!" his mother exclaimed, and his father asked gravely, "what is the trouble, my boy?"

George explained, though it was not easy to tell the story, and before he had finished his father had taken up his hat again. "You are right, George," he said. "This should be settled to-night. You must not wait even till morning."

Willie's father and mother had gone to the lecture, too, and they had barely reached home when George and his father came. Willie's mother seemed to understand George's errand almost before he spoke it.

"Oh, yes, that five cents," she said. "I told Willie you would bring it over either to-night or to-morrow morning. Thank you very much." And George's face burned over her thanks.

It was still worse next day when Willie made his appearance with a long, queerly shaped package in his arms.

"It's for you," he explained joyfully. "Because I didn't have any money when it was your birthday."

It was the longed-for bat and ball. George gasped as if someone had struck him. Then he pushed the gift away and looked at Willie.

"I never meant to bring you that five cents, yesterday," he said. "And I sent you away on purpose. I was trying to get ahead of you. I meant to cheat." There was a choke in his voice. He felt as if he hated himself.

"But I want you to have it," pleaded Willie in distress. "I've been saving my money for so long. And you won't ever try to cheat anybody again."

"Well, I guess not," George answered. "I've had enough of that." And he meant every word. That was the last time he ever tried to get the best of people by unfair means. But more and more, as the years go by, he practices the way Willie taught him, the way of kindness and love.—Selected.

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A Good Cough Medicine for Children.

"I have no hesitancy in recommending Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," says F. P. Moran, a well known and popular baker, of Petersburg, Va. "We have given it to our children when troubled with bad coughs, also whooping cough, and it has always given perfect satisfaction. It was recommended to me by a druggist as the best cough medicine for children as it contained no opium or other harmful drug."

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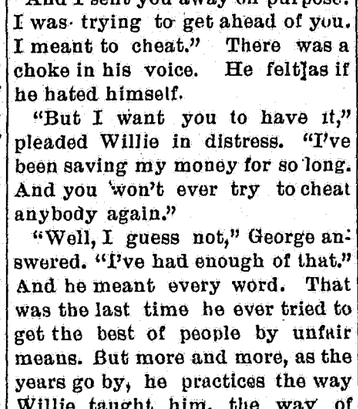

I wish to say to the people of Bethel and vicinity that I have opened a Sale Stable at my place in Bethel, and will keep a large stock of horses, weighing from 1000 to 1600 each, constantly on hand. If you need a good horse, come to me and I will please you. 4

L. U. BARTLETT,

BETHEL, - - MAINE.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of

DANIEL D. MATHESON, late of Bethel, in the county of Oxford deceased and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately. 42

Feb. 19th, 1901. Milton Penley.

Bright Mary.

At a club meeting the charming speaker of the day told a story that is funny enough to go farther than the hundred or two women who laughed at it then. She was in conversation with a worthy dame of poor but honest mind, the kind who indiscriminately admires any person who gets into print as a genius, just as another kind bows before every richly dressed woman as a "society lady," and she asked, "What is your daughter doing these days?"

"Mary has gone to Paris," answered the other, with an important air, "to learn to be an author."

"Oh," murmured the questioner, and presently rallied enough to inquire, "And —and how long will it take Mary to learn?"

"We expect her to take two years," answered the proud and confident mother.—Chicago Post.

To the Deaf.

A rich lady, cured of her deafness and noises in the head by Dr. Nicholson's Artificial Ear Drums, gave $10,000 to his Institute, so that deaf people unable to procure the Ear Drums, may have them free. Address No. 4737, The Nicholson Institute, 780 Eighth Avenue, New York. Ju18y1 *

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets.

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RESIDENT MANAGERS, WEED & KENNEDY.

Principal office in U. S., 29-31 Liberty Street, New York City.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1900.

Stocks and Bonds	$ 741,527 50
Cash in office and Bank	75,385 74
Agents' Balances	1,724 61
Interest and Rents	920 00
Uncollected Premiums	113,387 91
Gross Assets	$ 932 945 76
Admitted Assets	$ 932,945 76

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1900.

Net unpaid losses	$ 54,029 85
Unearned Premiums	367,756 44
All other liabilities	32,275 04
Total	$ 454,061 33
Surplus over all liabilities	478,884 43
Total liabilities and surplus	$932,945 76

W. J. WHEELER & CO., Agent. So. Paris, Oxford Co., Maine.

NEW JERSEY PLATE GLASS INSURANCE CO., Newark, N.J.

ASSETS, Dec. 31, 1900,

Real Estate	$ 8,350 00
Mortgage Loans	147,400 00
Cash in Office and Bank	16,123 54
Bills receivable	794 47
Agents' balances	21 58
Interest and Rents	1,616 44
Uncollected Premiums	18,927 88
All other assets	2,438 39
Gross Assets	$ 195,672 30
Deduct items not admitted	816 05
Admitted Assets	$194,856 25

LIABILITIES, Dec. 31, 1900.

Net unpaid losses	$ 1,552 94
Unearned Premiums	55,945 22
All other Liabilities	6,839 52
Total	$ 64,337 68
Cash Capital	100,000 00
Surplus over all Liabilities	30,518 57
Total Liabilities and Surplus	$ 194,856 25

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Netherlands Fire Insurance Company. Est. 1845, the Hague, Holland.

RESIDENT MANAGERS, WEED & KENNEDY.

Principal Office in U. S. 29 31 Liberty Street, New York City.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1900.

Stocks and Bonds	$474,232 50
Cash in office and bank	48,563 21
Interest and rents	2,920 84
Uncollected premiums	47,250 86
Gross assets	$572,967 41
Admitted assets	572, 967 41

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1900.

Net unpaid losses	$ 35,178 33
Unearned premiums	237,004 21
All other liabilities	24,522 87
Total	$296,705 41
Surplus over all liabilities	276,262 00
Total liabilities and surplus	$572,967 41

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Svea Fire & Life Insurance Co., Ltd., Gothenburg, Sweden.

RESIDENT MANAGERS, WEED & KENNEDY.

Principal Office in U. S., 29-3 Liberty Street, New York City.

ASSETS, DEC. 31, 1900.

Stocks and Bonds	$521,387 50
Cash in office and bank	86,147 10
Agents' balances	18,020 19
Interest and rents	4,397 01
Uncollected premiums	108,147 03
Gross assets	$738,108 73
Admitted assets	738,108 73

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1900.

Net unpaid losses	$ 47,022 55
Unearned premiums	327,824 79
All other liabilities	47,076 25
Total	$421,023 59
Surplus over all liabilities	316,185 14
Total liabilities and surplus	738,108 73

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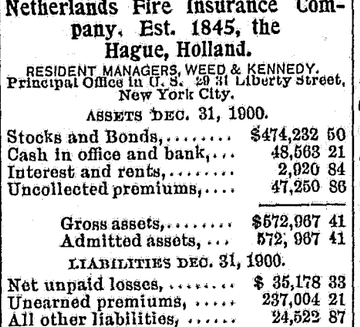

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MANHATTAN FIRE INSURANCE CO. of the City of New York.

ASSETS Dec. 31, 1900.

Stocks and bonds	$ 533,337 50
Cash in office and bank	56 975 32
Bills receivable	21,212 00
Interest and rents	2,067 71
Uncollected premiums	216,830 31
Gross assets	$ 830,423 03
Admitted assets	830,423 03

LIABILITIES Dec. 31, 1900.

Net unpaid losses	$ 50 603 81
Unearned premiums	125,473 00
All other liabilities	116,269 57
Total	$ 292 410 38
Cash capital	500,000 00
Surplus over all liabilities	38 013 55
Total liabilities and surplus	830 423 03

Eastern Department, Frank A. Colley, General Agent, 24 Central Street, Boston, Mass.

NEW YORK PLATE GLASS INSURANCE CO., New York.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1900.

Mortgage loans	$ 2,500 00
Stocks and bonds	337,685 00
Cash in office and bank	25,509 77
Uncollected premiums	30,821 48
Gross assets	$396,516 25
Admitted assets	396,516 25

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1900.

Net unpaid losses	$ 3,253 58
Unearned premiums	128,000 93
All other liabilities	7,006 20
Total	$138,440 80
Cash capital	100,000 00
Surplus over all liabilities	158,075 45
Total liabilities and surplus	$396,516 25

FREELAND HOWE, Agent, Norway, Maine. 44

U. S. BRANCH

National Assurance Co.

of Dublin, Ireland.

ASSETS, DEC. 31, 1900.

Stocks and Bonds	423,050 00
Cash in office and Bank	61,443 96
Agents' Balances	65,248 99
Interest and Rents	1,250 00
Gross Assets	$ 550,992 95
Admitted Assets	550 992 95

LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1900.

Net unpaid losses	$ 44,785 29
Unearned Premiums	208,195 78
Total	$ 342,981 07
Deposit Capital	200,000 00
Surplus over all liabilities	8 011 88
Total liabilities and surplus	$ 550,992 95

W. J. Wheeler & Company, Agents, 42 South Paris, Maine.

BETHEL LAUNDRY AGENCY.

Patrons of the Bethel Laundry may leave their laundry at E. E. RANDALL'S shoe store and it will receive the prompt and careful attention of H. L. Haynes who has opened a laundry at Bath, Maine.

H. L. HAYNES

Lace Curtains

We have decided to close out the remainder of our stock of Lace Curtains and shall sell them at the low prices named below.

They are exquisite creations—very Frenchy, new, novel and suited to the daintiest tastes. You'll say they are just lovely for window draperies.

Curtains that were .65 now .55
Curtains that were $1.75 now 1.25
Curtains that were $3.50 now 3.00

Spring CARPETS

The Carpet Department has taken a prominent part in the money-saving values of our Special Sales this week and next. Wise home providers find that here they have the largest and best stocks to choose from, the finest weaves and the greatest as ortment of exclusive patterns. Our carpeting has a touch of Spring brightness.

SPRINGS & MATTRESSES

You like good values? Here, in our large stock, are values that will surely convince you of their superiority over the ordinary kinds.

MAIL ORDERS

Realizing that the roads are not in a suitable condition for those living in towns not reached by railroads, to reach us we will fill MAIL ORDERS promptly as long as the goods are in stock. Write at once, or call.

BETHEL MFG. CO.

BETHEL, MAINE.

Took Mutton.

He was a station hand in from a three months' spell of work, during which he had tasted no other meat than mutton; also he stuttered badly. His eyes fairly leaped at the stuffed turkey on the hotel dinner table, though the boiled mutton made him shiver.

Said the host, "What will you try, Mr. Straps?"

Eagerly, "I'll t-try a b-bit of t-t-t"—The word floored him. Again, "G-give m-me a li-little t-t-t"— Then, red faced and disgusted: "Oh, h-hang it! Give me some b-blooming mutton! I h-hate it, but I can s-s-s-say it, anyhow."—Sydney Bulletin.

They Changed.

A Vienna paper relates an anecdote of the painter Makart, who was sometimes as taciturn as Von Moltke. One evening at a dinner he sat for an hour next to the soubrette Josephine Gallmeyer without volunteering a word. Finally she lost patience and exclaimed, "Well, dear master, suppose we change the subject."

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All Doctors have tried to cure CATARRH by the use of powders, acid gases, inhalers and drugs in paste form. Their powders dry up the mucous membranes causing them to crack open and bleed. The powerful acids used in the inhalers have eaten away the same membranes that their makers have aimed to cure, while pastes and ointments cannot reach the disease. An old and experienced practitioner who has for many years made a close study and specialty of the treatment of CATARRH, has at last perfected a Treatment which when faithfully used, not only relieves at once, but permanently cures CATARRH by removing the cause, stopping the discharges, and curing all inflammation. It is the only remedy known to science that actually reaches the afflicted parts. This wonderful remedy is known as "SNUFFLES the GUARANTEED CATARRH CURE" and is sold at the extremely low price of One Dollar, each package containing internal and external medicine sufficient for a full month's treatment and everything necessary to perfect its use.

"SNUFFLES" is the only perfect CATARRH CURE ever made and is now recognized as the only safe and positive cure for that annoying and disgusting disease. It cures all inflammation quickly and permanently and is also wonderfully quick to relieve Hay Fever or Cold in the Head.

CATARRH when neglected often leads to CONSUMPTION—"SNUFFLES" will save you if you use it at once. It is no ordinary remedy, but a complete treatment which is positively guaranteed to cure Catarrh in any form or stage if used according to the directions which accompany each package. Don't delay but send for it at once, and write full particulars as to your condition, and you will receive special advice from the discoverer of this wonderful remedy regarding your case without cost beyond the price of "SNUFFLES" the "Guaranteed Catarrh Cure."

Sent prepaid to any address in the United States or Canada on receipt of One Dollar. Address, Dept. A 751, EDWIN B. GILES & COMPANY, 2330 and 2332 Market Street, Philadelphia.

BRYANT POND.

Mrs. Aggie Brooks is quite sick.

Miss Nell Preble is visiting her sister at Bean's Corner.

Orsamus Billings of Boston has been visiting his brother and sister for a few days.

Andrew Hill, a war veteran, is also more feeble in health this winter than usual.

Miss Mary Stevens has gone to Bethel to attend the spring term of school at Gould's Academy.

Clarence Cole entertained a party of his friends on Wednesday evening. Whist was the game.

John Arkett, an old veteran, is confined to the house, and has been the most of the winter, on account of poor health.

It is reported that there is to be a new milliner's shop in the place. Harry Crockett will put up a building between his house and barber's shop this spring, and his wife will go into the millinery business.

Miss Sylvania Perham broke a ligament in her foot, instead of spraining her ankle as has been reported. She is not able to get around much, and her sister, Mrs. Martha Davis, is staying with her. Helen Cushman is tending her shop.

Mrs. Diantha Edwards has resigned the office of postmistress at North Woodstock, and Wm. Jackson has been appointed to fill the position. Mr. Jackson expects to rent the old Gallison house and will move in as soon as L. E. Whitman vacates.

The funeral services of Mrs. Judith Howe of Rumford were held Thursday afternoon at the chapel at North Woodstock. Mrs. Howe was a sister of Mrs. Augustus Billings, and used to reside at North Woodstock. Rev. Mr. Hannaford of Rumford Falls conducted the funeral service.

EAST BETHEL.

Mr. A. M. Bean has returned home to Washington, D. C.

Mr. M. E. Bartlett spent the past week in Portland and Waltham, Mass.

Mrs. Fannie R. Holt is taking orders for wall paper from Alfred Peats & Co.

Mrs. Catharine Wardwell Bean died at the home of her son, Eugene Bean, Wednesday, March 20, aged about 78 years. Funeral services were held the following Friday, Rev. F. E. Barton officiating. Mrs. Bean has been in feeble health for the past year; she was a woman of rare characteristics and great intellectuality. She has lived in this place fifty years and will be sadly missed in the home neighborhood.

Stops the Cough and Works off the Cold.

Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No Cure, no Pay. Price 25 cents. 1yAug22

SOUTH WOODSTOCK.

Mr. Asa Harriman spent the past week in Lewiston in the interest of his meat business.

Mr. George L. Curtis, who has been working the past winter for Fred Dunham, is at home for a short time.

Mr. Alton Verrill, formerly of Bethel, but now of Oxford, preached a most interesting sermon at the Seventh Day Advent church, Mar. 23.

Mrs. Rollins Hammond is convalescing. Mrs. Hammond has been a great sufferer for several months with rheumatic fever and her many friends are glad to hear of her recovery.

Mothers! Mothers! Mothers!

How many children are at this season feverish and constipated, with bad stomach and headache. Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children will always cure. If worms are present they will certainly remove them. At all druggists. 25 cts. Sample mailed FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y. 46

ARE YOU SICK?

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SMITH'S GREEN MOUNTAIN RENOVATOR.

Guaranteed to give you strength, and put you on your feet. It will cure.

Ask your druggist for Renovator. 50 cents and one dollar. Write St. Albans Remedy Company, St. Albans, Vt., about GUARANTEE and TESTIMONIALS. Mention this paper.

A horrible affair occurred in Clinton Friday. Jacob Dearborn Marr, a man 52 years of age, killed his three daughters, aged respectively 13, 9, and 7 years, with an axe. The whole affair occupied but very few minutes. Marr made no attempt to escape, and was placed under arrest. He will only say, in answer to questions, that he "doesn't know," and that his head has been troubling him lately. He is spoken of as an industrious and quiet citizen, and no explanation of his deed except sudden insanity can be given.

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Hon. A. W. Gilman of Foxcroft was chosen commissioner of agriculture Thursday, under the new law, which goes into effect next January.

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In Bridgton village are two aged citizens whose lives have run in several respects in one groove. Walter H. Strout and Reuben B. Bennett were born the same year and month, Feb. 22 and 25 respectively, 1819. Both cast their first vote for Martin Van Buren in 1840, and both ever since have continued to vote the democratic ticket. Each for the last few months has been greatly improved in health, following serious illness. Each is wifeless, but each has two children living. A son of each is a medicine dealer—which may perhaps account for their own excellent physical condition despite their 82 years.

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Charles J. Welch, 30 years of age, recently suffered an amputation of both of his feet at the Greely hospital in Portland, the result of freezing them in January, while lost in the woods.

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A stick of dynamite, a 38-calibre revolver and a dozen loaded cartridges were found, Saturday forenoon, at the Hallowell Granite Works. Nobody seems to know anything in explanation.

Remarkable Cures of Rheumatism.

The editor of the Vindicator has had occasions to test the efficacy of Chamberlain's Pain Balm twice with the most remarkable results in each case. First, with rheumatism in the shoulder from which he suffered excruciating pain for ten days, which was relieved with two applications of Pain Balm, rubbing the parts afflicted and realizing instant benefit and entire relief in a very short time. Second, in rheumatism in thigh joint, almost prostrating him with severe pain, which was relieved by two applications, rubbing with the liniment on retiring at night and getting up free from pain.—Vindicator, Rutherfordton, N. C.

For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; A. S. Bean; W. Bethel; W. H. Crockett, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; A. R. Small & Son, Bryant Pond.

Woman's Sense of Humor.

I, who like to smile and who like best of all to make others smile, am well pleased when there are many women in my audience. I have ever found their sense of humor to be like the touch of the blind—unerring. It is this that makes me especially respect it. They never lose a fine point. I bow before l'humeur des femmes. Watch an audience and see for yourself if the women do not enjoy the humorous passages as much as the men, if the smile does not come to their lips even before the mouth of the man relaxes. It is true they are very, very critical. The flavor must be perfect; there must be no false note. I might almost say that it is the women I have found to be connoisseurs of humor. —C. Coquelin in Harper's Bazar.

Why Should He Care?

Mrs. Smith repeatedly reminded her husband that the silver was hers, the furniture was hers and so on, until poor Smith almost wished he had married a girl without a penny.

The other night Mrs. Smith awoke to hear strange voices in the lower part of the house.

"John, get up! There are burglars down below!"

"Eh?" inquired Smith sleepily.

"Burglars—down stairs!" shrieked Mrs. Smith.

"Burglars?" said Smith as he turned over. "Well, there's nothing of mine there!"

Exquisite Needlework.

Some of the most exquisite art needlework in existence has been produced by semicivilized women, as, for instance, the natives of parts of Canada, who used to embroider with their own hair and also that of animals and who introduced into their work pieces of serpents' skins and the fur of various animals. The negresses of Senegal imitate the skins of animals and the colors of flowers with the greatest skill. Turkish and Georgian women used gold thread with wonderful delicacy on the finest gauze and introduced specimens of the coinage of various countries into their embroideries.

The Doctor She Wanted.

Intelligent women are always doing bright things, and Mrs. A. A. Libby, a competent nurse, at Pownal, Me., did a bright thing, and did it in a bright way, when she sent for the doctor she wanted.

It all came about in this wise:

Early last winter she was stricken down with the grip, which left her very weak and without appetite.

The sight of food nauseated her.

A lady with whom she was stopping, realizing that it is almost as hazardous, to neglect the effects of the grip as the disease itself,—the effects commonly being a low, vitiated condition of the blood, impaired digestion, loss of appetite and strength and increased susceptibility to disease,—said she must have a doctor.

"I asked the lady", said Mrs. Libby, March 7th, 1900, "if she would get the doctor I wanted. She said she would, and I asked her to go and get a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla. She laughed at such an unexpected turn; but got the medicine and I began taking it. My appetite came back, I began to grow strong, and now I am well and have not had a bad cold this winter."

But there is more to be said.

Some time previously, Mrs. Libby had taken Hood's Sarsaparilla for catarrh and headache, by which she had been greatly troubled, and it quickly relieved her and, to use her own words, did her a world of good.

Hood's Sarsaparilla is the medicine that acts directly and peculiarly on the blood, ridding it of all impurities and making it rich and abundant, and is positively unequalled for renovating and building up the whole system, curing all scrofulous diseases, catarrh, dyspepsia, kidney complaint, and restoring health and strength after the grip, pneumonia, and all prostrating or debilitating sicknesses, also after scarlet fever, diphtheria, and other blood-poisoning diseases.

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PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and one. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Bethel NEWS a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of April, A. D 1901, at 9 of the clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

ELSIE H. BURBANK, late of Gilead, deceased: will and petition for probate thereof presented by Barker S. Burbank, the executor therein named.

JOHN M. GALLISON, late of Woodstock, deceased: first and final account presented for allowance by J. Cushing Gallison, administrator.

CYRENE E. BROWN, deceased: final account presented for allowance by Frank B. Tuell, executor.

LOIS F. WILBUR, late of Bethel, deceased: first and final account presented for allowance by Eva C. Brackett, administratrix.

HANNAH J. CARR, late of Upton, deceased: first and final account presented for allowance by Ellery C. Park, administrator.

ELVIRA A. PREBLE, late of Woodstock, deceased: first and final account presented for allowance by Ambrose J. Gallison, administrator.

ADDISON E. HERRICK, Judge of Probate.
A true copy—attest:
3w44 ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of

E. PRESCOTT BENNETT, late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately. 3w44
Mar. 19, 1901. George H. Bennett,

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of

G. FREDERICK ATHERTON, late of Newry, in the county of Oxford deceased and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately. 42
March 19th, 1901. Helen M. Atherton,

What Comfort Means.

Comfort ought to be the first consideration of home.

If a rocking chair brings that to the wife, then a rocking chair let it be, despite changing fashions. The big armchair may not be beautiful to look upon, but keep it if the masculine head of the house feels a fondness for it. He might never find another to fit him so perfectly.

If carpets are more comfortable than wood floors and rugs, stick to them, even though you admire your neighbor's rooms more than your own.

It is difficult to locate comfort. We feel it, but cannot describe it. To one woman it means a wrapper and loosely flowing hair, to another a couch and so on through a long list of things.

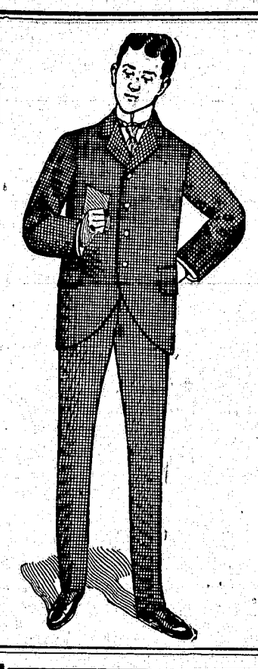
To one woman it is compressed into this: Hot water, a hot fire and hot coffee. She is a great woman, a famous one, and among the many advantages fame and wealth have brought her are none to equal those three.

The higher we rise the larger become our ideas. It is like the possession of money—the more we have the greater our wants—and only in rare instances are we much better off in a mental way.

About New Shoes.

If experience did not prove the truth of the statement, one would hardly believe that there are special times and seasons for the trying on of shoes, but such is the case. In the spring of the year one's feet are more delicate and tender, perhaps caused from the rising of the temperature. Like other parts of the body, these members are somewhat shrunken during cold weather, and as the warm season approaches the flesh gradually begins to stretch itself—all on the principle of cold contracting and heat expanding. Consequently one needs a larger pair of shoes in summer than in winter, and it is always best to try them on the latter part of the day. The feet are then at the maximum size. Activity naturally makes them swell. Much standing has a tendency to enlarge the feet and also causes them to be tender.

New shoes should be tried on over moderately thick stockings, then a thinner pair may be put on to ease the feet if the shoes seem tight. It is remarkable what difference stockings will make in the comfort of a shoe, and if you doubt the truth of this remark try for yourself.



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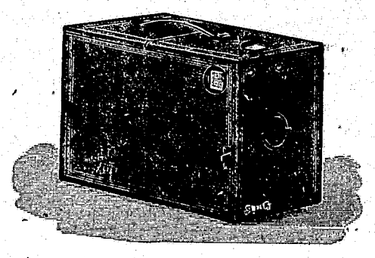

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CHURCHES.

Methodist Episcopal, Main Rev. W. B. Eldridge, Pastor. S Prayer meeting, 10 a. m.; P service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday sc m.; Junior League, 3 p. m.; League 6:15 p. m.; Prayer me p. m. Tuesday—Class meeting m. Friday—Prayer meeting, 7

Universalist, Church stree F. E. Barton, Pastor. Sunday— ing service 10:45 a. m.; Sunday 12 m.; Y. P. C. U., 7 p.m.

Congregational, Church stre Arthur Varley, Pastor. S Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; school, 12 m.; Y. P. S. C. E., Junior S. C. E., 4 p. m. Tu Prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m. Tuesday—Prayer meeting, 7:30

Union Church, West Bethe plied by Rev. Arthur Varley a F. E. Barton. Sunday—Pre 2:30 p. m.; Sunday school, 3:30

LIBRARY.

Public Library, Broad street, Wednesday, from 6 to 8 p. m.; day, 4 to 8 p. m. Over 2000 v Mrs. G. R. Wiley, President; Frye, Secretary; Mrs. O. M. Treasurer; Mrs. L. T. Barker, rian.

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Brown Post, No. 84, G. A. A. H. Hutchinson, P. C, the first and third Thursday of month at 7.30 p. m.

Brown Post, W. R. C., No. 36—M E. Burnham, Pres.; Mrs. C. S. I hale, Sec.; Miss Angie Chapman, T Meets the first and third Thursd each month.

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Ladies' Circle, Universalist.—Mrs A. Pratt, Pres.; Mrs. G. R. Wiley, Pres.; Mrs. L. B. Hopkins, Sec.; E. C. Rowe, Treas. Meets Wednes afternoon.

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